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For: IMAGE PROCESSING DEVICE,
ELECTRONIC PLAYING DEVICE,
AND STORAGE MEDIUM FOR TV
GAME MACHINE

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO 1449. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits for the above-referenced application.

Copies of the listed documents, including any copending patent applications, are attached.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

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WO 97/32642: A copy of a Supplementary European Search Report issued in a European application corresponding to the above-referenced application and indicating the relevance of this document is enclosed. Also enclosed is an International Search Report, issued in the international application of which the present application claims benefit, listing the document and indicating its relevance. Further, WO97/32642 corresponds to U.S. Patent No. 6,149,523 also being submitted herewith.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that each or all of the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art." If the Examiner applies any of the documents as prior art against any claim in the application and Applicants determine that the cited documents do not constitute "prior art" under United States law, Applicants reserve the right to present to the office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such documents.

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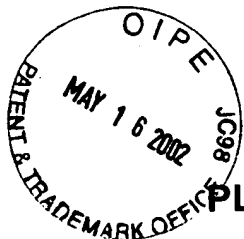
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1. Information Disclosure Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b) (2 pages),
including International Search Report and Supplementary European
Search Report
2. Form PTO 1449 w/6 docs.

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